



2022

**The oddball grandmother, with an ageless quiet strength  
and incredible charm**

To carry off this torrid vintage, it did indeed need an oddball. One of those characters with incredible charm, who doesn't fit in any box. Someone who has seen it all and who fascinated you as a child. The 2022 Lafite is a bit like that.

Each of the plots, which we know by heart, reacted differently in the face of adversity. Mamizelle made sparks fly while Caudeyrac got its fingers burnt... On 31 August, our teams of winegrowers started the intricate task of selecting the grapes on our gravel plateau. Three different batches were made from these selections. On 5 September, we brought in our earliest-ripening Merlot. Ten days later, we were already on the Cabernet (Caillava on 16 September, a record, but it was ready).

In vat, there was no need for extraction. The juices were black from day one, and left us amazed when they were run off after only 17 or 18 days. The final surprise? Mind-blowing press wines that will exalt the soul of our Lafite, making up 17% of the blend!

**Blend:**

94% Cabernet-Sauvignon, 5% Merlot, 1% Petit Verdot

**Budburst:** 9 April

**Mid-Flowering:** 25 May

**Mid-Véraison:** 2 August

**Harvest:** 31 August to 24 September

